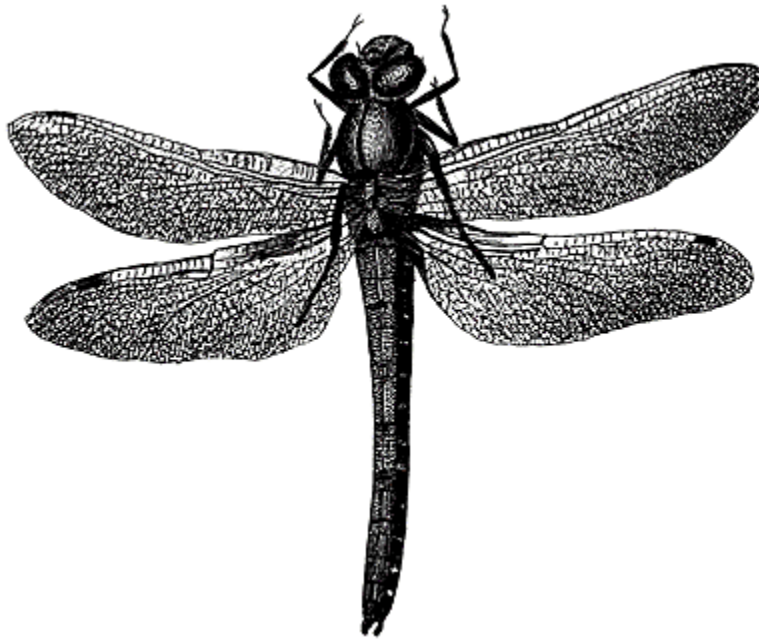


# **Edgar Evins State Park**

## **JULY 2010 PROGRAM SCHEDULE**



*Friday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>*

**10:00am GARDENING FOR BUTTERFLIES:** Have you noticed our butterfly garden at the Visitor's Center? We've landscaped over 2,000 square feet to attract butterflies & other wildlife. Come take a tour of the garden and learn about the plants we're growing and the butterflies they're attracting. Meet outside the *Visitor's Center*.

**4:00pm FIRE STARTING DEMONSTRATION:** Starting a fire using flint and steel is an excellent skill to learn. Come watch and then try your hand at this technique! Meet at the *Fire Circle* in the campgrounds

**7:30pm COMMON NATURE MYTHS: DEBUNKED:** Are bats really blind? Is there such a thing as a "joint snake?" Learn all this and more as we investigate common myths and oldwife's tales about wildlife. Meet inside the *Camp Store*.

### *Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>*

**9:00am BIRD & BUTTERFLY WALK:** Meet Holly at the *park entrance* for an easy walk down the Saddle Dam access road to view birds & butterflies. Bring binoculars if you have them. Be sure to wear bug spray. (Please park on side of road and do not block the gate.)

**2:00pm HONEYSUCKLE BASKETS:** Turn a noxious weed into a work of art! Meet in the *Camp Store* to weave your very own basket out of honeysuckle vines. All ages welcome.

**4:00pm SNAKES:** Gather in the *Fire Circle* to meet some of your scaly locals. Learn what makes them special to the environment and why you really *do* want them in your backyard! (In case of rain meet inside the *Camp Store*.)

**8:00pm TENNESSEE GHOST STORIES:** From east to west, Tennessee is rich with spook tales. Gather in the *Fire Circle* in the Campground for some good, old-fashioned ghost stories. Don't forget your marshmallows!

### *Friday, July 9<sup>th</sup>*

**5:00pm BLACK POWDER & FIRESTARTING DEMONSTRATION:** Join park manager Carl Halfacre at the *Peninsula* (beside Courtesy Dock) as he demonstrates using a flintlock rifle and building a fire using flint and steel. All ages welcome!

**7:30pm BACKYARD HAVENS:** What better place to learn about the natural world than our own backyards! Meet in the old *Camp Store* in the campground parking lot to discover some simple ways to make your yard a haven for wildlife.

**9:00pm NIGHT SKY:** Come take a fascinating tour of the night sky! Bring a blanket to sit on and binoculars if you have them. Meet at the first *picnic area* at the boat ramp entrance (look for ranger vehicle). (In case of rain meet in the Camp Store in the campground).

### *Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup>*

**9:00am BIRDWATCHING BASICS:** Meet at the *Visitor's Center* for an easy stroll to observe birds and maybe even learn to identify a few! Bring binoculars & field guides if you have them.

**2:00pm CORNHUSK DOLLS:** Times have sure changed! Come to the *Camp Store* to make your own traditional doll out of cornhusks just like the early settlers did.

**4:00pm THE MIRACLE OF METAMORPHOSIS:** Meet inside the *Camp Store* to meet some very special little animals and discover their amazing life cycles.

**5:00pm OLD TIME TOYS:** Meet park manager Carl Halfacre outside the *Camp Store* for a walk back in time, when children amused themselves with simpler toys. Come try your hand at hoop & stick, the whirligig and more!

**8:00pm NIGHT HIKE:** Meet in the parking lot next to the *Millennium Trail* for a nature hike - in the dark! You never know what we may see or hear. Be sure to wear bug spray, closed shoes and to bring a dim flashlight. Approximately 1 mile.

***Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>***

**6:00pm FOSSIL WALK:** Gather in the parking lot by the *Courtesy Dock* to take a walk out on our scenic peninsula, where we will find thousands of fossils preserved in the limestone rocks. Please wear sturdy, closed shoes.

**7:30pm BAT CHAT:** Gather in *Camp Store* to discover the amazing world of bats! First we will enjoy a short slide show then step outside to watch the bats in action! All ages welcome.

***Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>***

**10:00am GARDENING FOR BUTTERFLIES:** Have you noticed our butterfly garden at the Visitor's Center? We've landscaped over 2,000 square feet to attract butterflies & other wildlife. Come take a tour of the garden and learn about the plants we're growing and the butterflies they're attracting. Meet outside the *Visitor's Center*.

**4:00pm TURTLE TALK:** Come to the *Fire Circle* in the campground to interact with some hard-shelled critters and discover what makes them so amazing! (In case of rain meet inside the Camp Store.)

**6:30pm SUNSET CRUISE:** Meet at the *Courtesy Dock* for a relaxing tour of Center Hill Lake at sunset by pontoon boat. Limit 12 people. Please sign up at the Visitor's Center or call (931) 858-2114 or (931) 982-3918. Will depart promptly at 6:30pm. Please arrive 15 minutes prior. Will accept reservations no sooner than week of event. Sorry no children under 3 years of age.

**8:00pm NOCTURNAL STROLL:** Join the seasonal naturalist for a walk around the boat ramp area to discover all the fascinating sights and sounds the night has to offer. Meet at the first *picnic area* at the boat ramp entrance (look for ranger vehicle).

***Friday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>***

**4:00pm GUESS THE OBJECT:** Can you guess what's in the mystery bag using just your sense of touch? Come to the *Fire Circle* in the Campground to test your knowledge of the natural world!

**7:30pm ALL ABOUT SNAKES:** Meet in the *Camp Store* (building in campground parking lot) for a fun and informative presentation about our local snake species. Afterwards you will get the chance to pet a live snake!

***Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>***

**2:00pm CORNHUSK DOLLS:** Times have sure changed! Come to the *Camp Store* to make your own traditional doll out of cornhusks just like the early settlers did.

**4:00pm WOODLAND HAZARDS:** Would you know what to do if you bumped into a Copperhead? What if you were stung by a bee? Do you know how to identify poison ivy? Learn all this and more when you gather in the *Fire Circle* in the Campground.

**6:30pm SUNSET CRUISE:** Meet at the *Courtesy Dock* for a relaxing tour of Center Hill Lake at sunset by pontoon boat. Limit 12 people. Please sign up at the Visitor's Center or call (931) 858-2114 or (931) 982-3918. Will depart promptly at 6:30pm. Please arrive 15 minutes prior. Will accept reservations no sooner than week of event. Sorry no children under 3 years of age.

**8:00pm SCORPION HUNT:** Did you know that we have scorpions in Tennessee? Join Seasonal Naturalist Holly for a nighttime expedition to find scorpions by black light. Meet at the first *picnic area* at the boat ramp entrance (look for Ranger vehicle).



*Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup>*

**4:00pm NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT:** Meet in the *Fire Circle* in the Campground to go on a different kind of scavenger hunt. Be sure to bring lots of energy and all your nature knowledge!

**7:00pm OWLS: THE NOCTURNAL BIRDS OF PREY:** Meet in the *Camp Store* to enjoy a presentation featuring owls found in Tennessee. A great introduction before we listen for owls on the night hike the following evening!

*Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>*

**4:00pm LEAF RUBBING ARTBOOKS:** Meet inside the old *Camp Store* (building in campground parking lot) to create your own art book using amazing textures from nature.

**6:00pm COLD-BLOODED CREATURES:** Meet Holly in the *Fire Circle* in the Campground to meet some scaly and slimy locals!

**8:00pm NIGHT HIKE:** Meet in the parking lot next to the *Millennium Trail* for a nature hike - in the dark! You never know what we may see or hear. Be sure to wear bug spray, closed shoes and to bring a dim flashlight. Approximately 1 mile.

*All programs are free and open to the public In case of inclement weather please call (931) 858-2114 or (931) 982-3918 for cancellations. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Remember that anything can happen in the wilderness! Park staff strives to ensure your safety but nature can be unpredictable, and there is always an element of danger when encountering it. We want you to have fun and be safe, so always exercise caution in the great outdoors!*

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